



The Carolina DX Association

THE PILEUP

WEEKLY DX NET
DX INFO REPEATERS

WEDNESDAY EVENING 8:30 PM
147.36 BOONE
147.18 CHARLOTTE

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- CURRENT DX ACTIVITY -

Thanks to the ARRL DX Bulletins, QRZ DX, WORLDRADIO, The Long Island DX Bulletin, and CDXA Members.

Rumors are in the air concerning an October 1A0KM operation. 3B8CF on 7005 at 0253Z. 3B8 operators may be using the special 3B1 prefix through November 5. 4K1 - Soviet stations in the Antarctic: 4K1A on 7065; 4K1C (at KC4AAE location) on 7059. 4K1LPK (UB5LPK) will be active through March of 1988. Look for 7P8DX daily on 14030 at 1600Z.

9J2B0 on 7005 at 0520Z. BV2FA on 7004 at 1025Z. Three new BY stations are BY1CKJ, BY2HIC, and BY5RT. BY1CKJ, Zhang, was reported on 14025, then SSB later. BY4RB on 7009 at 1138Z. C21XX is active on 160 - 1833/1828 around 1200Z. C53FC/SU7 on 14194 at 2348Z - QSL via KA1DE. CE0ICD, Juan Fernandez, on 21218. CE0MTD reported on 7049 SSB.

Some DX-peditions to watch for during the October 24-25 CQWW DX SSB contest: PJ0J, T30, 8P9HR, 3V8RFA, 6P2ZA and 6P2SQ (Pakistan), N3JT/HK0 and KH4 (Midway).

CY9SPI (St. Paul Island) should be on the air very soon. DL1VJ/TA will try to be on the air in the Sept/Oct timeframe. EL2EF may have been a pirate. FK0AH 14225-260 daily at 1300Z and 2000Z. FK8DD on 14024 at 0530Z. FO0RD will be active Sept 17 through October 3 on 80-10 SSB. FR5AI/E worked on 14025 at 1230-1330Z - QSL direct to FR5AI. FR5RS is still showing up on Jim Smith's net (14220). FR5Z0/T has been active - 21027 at 1545, and

14025 at 1540Z. He was also heard on SSB, 14180 at 1300-1500Z working JA's and European stations. FT8Z - F6C2B is planning for a duty tour on Amsterdam - will arrive November 28. GW3ZEY/SU should be OK for DXCC. HZ1HZ on 7009 at 0342Z. J28EO on 7004 at 0351Z. Look for JA4GXF/JD1 September 24-30. JF1IST/EP has been reported active. NP4JV/KH2 on Guam worked on 7010 at 0900Z - he may be making a weekend trip to KH0.

OH1RY is planning another Pacific expedition: Oct 12-18 3D2RA, Oct 18-21 C21?, Oct 21-28 from West Kiribati, Oct 28-Nov 6 Niue (ZK2AA?), Nov 6-9 from Cook, and finally FO0 until Nov 15.

PA0GAM/ST2 has been on 80 and 40, but reports bad European QRM. Try 7004 and 3503. Also 14010-14027, and the VK9NS net on 14220, 2100-2330Z, and 21005-009 at 1800Z. Many active SU stations - look for SU1AA, SU1AB, SU1EC, SU1AH, SU1FN, SU1GM, SU1HK, SU1HT, SU1IM, SU1MA, SU1MI, SU1MK, SU1MR, SU1NK, and SU1RR. Try 3795, 7045, 14220, 21250, and 28500 Friday and Saturday around 1600-2200Z.

SV Mt. Athos - 5X5GK operation in mid September planned, and an expedition by some Greek operators is rumored for Sept 19th. Keep alert for this, it may occur later this month. T20AA on 14250 at 0400Z, and some CW on 14030 and 14035. T20EE on 14220 at 0430Z. T32BM on 21255 at 0240Z - will be there for several months.

UG7GWB worked on 7011 at 2338Z. VK9ZG (Willis) heard working Europe on 14180 at 1130Z. VU20DG plans an expedition to the Andamans Oct 5-26.

DX ACTIVITY - CONTINUED

WA4TLI/CT3 and AA4VK/CT3 will be on during the CQWW DX SSB contest. WB4KMV/KH3 worked on 14326 at 0310Z. XU1SS shows up daily on 14165 1200-1400Z. QSL info available upon request. XX9KA on 14160 at 1245Z. XX9MD on 14225 at 1100Z. YA1JW on 14010 at 2000Z and others are most likely phoney. YB0DFD on 14025 at 1230Z. YB3CN on 14165 at 1130Z. YB4TE on 14195 at 1230Z. YB7HB at 14020 at 1200Z.

ZK1DD on South Cook is on 7162 daily at 0700Z. ZL7AA on 3795 at 0900-1200Z; and 14220 at 0230Z. ZL7IX on 7007 at 1130Z. ZS3GB worked on 21260 at 1600Z.

DXCC NOTES

Here's some interesting facts about the DXCC program (from the ARRL's Annual Report by way of WORLDRADIC).

For the year 1986:

New DXCC Certificates issued- 1525

	New	Endorsements
Mixed	624	2,181
Phone	504	1,673
CW	310	756
RTTY	19	31
160M	63	25
Satellite	5	0

DXCC Cards Checked	-	230,110
SBDXCC Cards Checked	-	122,000
Total Cards Checked	-	352,110

Credits to DXCC Records	277,727
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Mixed	111,675
Phone	95,563
CW	52,790
RTTY	3,020
160M	7,153
Satellite	505

What other award can claim that much popularity?

KUDOs

Thanks to Bill and Joey Parris for their fine hospitality at the CDXA Barbeque - a great time was had by all, and the food by KU4V was super. We can't wait till next year!!!!!!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT (Gary Dixon - K4MQG)

This is an appeal for all CDXA members to lend a hand with the N4ZC contest station improvements that are currently underway. Help is needed in three ways:

1. PHYSICAL - many jobs remain to be done in order to upgrade N4ZC to a true world-class contest station. Much of the work is antenna related. If you can spare a day or two, please contact Roger and work out a time - every bit will help.
2. Financial - Roger and Don, WA8MAZ are spending a lot of their own funds in this upgrade project, and CDXA members are encouraged to donate to this effort - if you would like to help, please send a check to Bill, W4UNP, and he consolidate the donations into a CDXA gift.
3. Observation - All CDXA members are invited to come watch a full-bore multi-single contest in progress during the CQWW DX SSB weekend, October 24 and 25. Operators have already been scheduled, but if you would like to observe for a while there should be someone available to explain what's happening....

With the improvements underway, we feel that N4ZC will move up in the standings this year. The goal is to be number 1 in the world, and with your help we can make it happen !!!

ANTENNA RAISING INCIDENT

(Thanks to Chuck Brydges, W4WXZ)

The following is a Ham's reply to a query from his insurance company:

"I'm writing in response to your request for additional information for Block Number 3 of the Accident Reporting Form. I put "poor planning" as the cause of my accident. You said in your letter I should explain more fully, and I trust the following details will be sufficient."

"I am an amateur radio operator, and on the day of the accident I was working alone on the top section of my new 80' tower. When I had completed my work I discovered that I had, over the course of several trips up the tower, brought about 300 lbs. of tools and hardware. Rather than carry the now un-needed tools and materials down by hand, I decided to lower the items down in a small barrel by using a pulley, which fortunately was attached to the gin pole at the top of the tower."

"Securing the rope at ground level, I went to the top of the tower and loaded the tools and materials into the barrel. I went back to the ground and untied the rope holding it tightly to insure a slow descent of the 300 lbs. of tools. You will note in Block Number 11 of the Accident Reporting Form that I weigh only 155 lbs. "

"Due to my surprise at being jerked off the ground so suddenly, I lost my presence of mind and forgot to let go of the rope. Needless to say, I proceeded at a rather rapid rate of speed up the side of the tower. In the vicinity of the 40' level, I met the barrel coming down; this explains my fractured skull and broken collarbone. Slowed only slightly, I continued my rapid ascent, not stopping until the fingers of my right hand were two knuckles deep into the pulley."

"Fortunately, by this time, I had regained my presence of mind and was able to hold onto the rope in spite of the pain. At approximately the same time, however, the barrel of tools hit the ground and the bottom fell out of the barrel. Devoid of the weight of the tools, the barrel now weighed approximately 20 lbs. I refer you again to my weight in Block 11. As you might imagine, I began a rapid descent down the side of the tower. In the vicinity of the 40' level, I met the barrel coming up; this accounts for the two fractured ankles and the

lacerations on my legs and lower body."

"The encounter with the barrel slowed me enough to lessen my injuries when I fell on to the pile of tools, and fortunately only 3 vertebrae were cracked. I'm sorry to report, however, that as I lay there on the tools, in pain, unable to stand, and watching the empty barrel 80' above me, I again lost my presence of mind. I let go of the rope."

AUCKLAND/CAMPBELL DXPEDITION 1988

The CDXA recently received the following from Ron Wright, ZL1AM0:

Preparations for this DXpedition are now almost complete and will take place during February 1988. All bands CW and SSB for a period of 2 weeks. This will be the usual polished ZL operation.

Two scientific people will accompany the group (ZL9BN - Baz, ZL9BGD - Roly and ZL9AM0 - Ron) and insure excellent documentation and photography.

However, we desperately need approx \$8000 (USA) to meet the cost of transport and supplies i.e. food, fuel, etc. All donations will be recorded and receipts sent in return when requested. Donations can be in cash or USA personal cheques or IRC's! Whatever!

This may well be the last DXpedition I organize. I know it is not Albania or Bouvet; however, ZL9 is much needed.

Make this a definite DXpedition by making your contribution now - no matter how small.

Thanking you all in advance.

73 ZL1AM0

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ARRL AWARD GIVEN TO FATHER MORAN
From the ARRL Letter

The 2nd Annual ARRL International Humanitarian Award has been given to Fr. Marshall Moran, 9N1MM. Fr. Moran has lived in Nepal since 1950, where he founded St. Xavier Mission, a school and health facility for Nepalese children.

His call sign, 9N1MM, was the first amateur license granted in Nepal. He has relayed messages for thousands of individuals and groups worldwide, and is active in numerous service nets. He presently oversees the daily operation of the mission, and is the senior advisor to 10 priests on his staff.

The ARRL International Humanitarian Award was established in 1986 to recognize those licensed radio amateurs (or groups of radio amateurs) worldwide who, by use of their skills in Amateur Radio, have provided extraordinary service for the benefit of others. The award consists of a plaque and an article

describing the recipient's extraordinary achievements in QST.

RANDOM STUFF FROM K2SD

I first worked Fr. Moran in the mid-1970's, but my favorite QSO with him was really an accident - I had invited a friend from work to see my shack and "Amateur Radio in action". My buddy was interested in the hobby, but knew very little about it. I pointed the beam over the pole, and (I swear this is true) said "CQ DX from K2SD." Back immediately came a voice from far away saying "Mickey Mouse". I recognized the voice and said "Hello, Father", and he replied "Hello Scotty" (we had just worked a few days earlier, and the QSO must have still been on his current log sheet). I was trying to explain to my friend that there were people who would kill for a QSO with 9N1MM.....but I think to this day he believes that all it takes to work 9N1MM is to say "CQ DX" one time! I really wished some of my Amateur friends had been in the shack that night...I could have grieved for years.....K2SD

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